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MEDICINAL.



A famous painting shows the infant Napoleon in the chamber of his birth, and shows his mother watching over him. The mother of Napoleon was a strong, healthy, active woman. She brought into the world a family of smart, handsome, healthy children. Without health and strength Napoleon would never have risen above the position in which he was born. His mother could not give him wealth or high station in life, but she gave something better. She gave him the ability to secure these things for himself. She equipped him with a strong body and a clear intellect. Every mother may do as much for her son. The first step in this direction is perfect health for herself. Perfect health in a womanly way. She must take thought for the most important and delicate organs of the body. She must keep them strongly healthy for the performance of the greatest and most wonderful work in the world. Women do not sufficiently appreciate the importance of health and carefulness. This is shown by the dreadful prevalence of so-called "Female Complaint." Every woman may be strong and healthy by taking Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It is not a cure-all. It is intended to cure just one kind of disease, and it cures it. It works directly on the female organs, cleanses, strengthens and makes them healthy. It makes weak women strong, and if it is taken during the period of gestation, it insures health for the child; and, at the time of parturition, comparative freedom from the pains and dangers erroneously believed to be unavoidable. The physiology of women, in health and disease, is contained in Dr. Pierce's great work, the "Common Sense Medical Adviser." A copy of this book, paper-covered free to anyone who will send 21 one-cent stamps, to cover cost of mailing only, to World's Dispensary Medical Association, No. 261 Main Street, Buffalo, N. Y.

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RETURNED WITH A FORTUNE.

A dispatch from Shelbyville, Ind., says: Eleven years ago last Thursday night John Crim went to his home in Flat Rock, from the village store where he had been spending the evening, and watching his more fortunate neighbors purchase toys for their little ones. He informed his wife that he had made an effort to secure something for their three babies, but not having money, the merchant refused, and the little ones would have to do without anything. The good wife asked John not to grieve over his condition, saying that she had a few trinkets laid away for their children, and that they could get along until the saw mill again started up. Husband and wife then retired, the latter going to sleep, but John could not close his eyes in slumber.

About midnight he arose, kissed his wife and children as they slept, wrote a note asking his wife not to worry about him, to raise the children, and await his return home.

Nothing was heard of him by his wife or friends until Thursday night, when a well-dressed man walked into the same store he walked out of eleven years before. The stranger asked the direction of Mary Crim's residence, when the twelve-year-old son stepped forward with the remark that he would show him to his mother's house. This was more than Crim could stand. He cried like a babe as he clasped his boy to his breast and almost carried him to his mother, who was busy arranging a few presents for her children, and whose joy at seeing her husband knew no bounds.

After their tears had been brushed away John told of his wandering. He had been in British Columbia ten years, engaged in mining, and had amassed a fortune. He had come home to remain with his family, and there is no happier one in the world.

Curious Customs of Oregon Coons.

A California correspondent of Forest and Stream tells about "trooping coons" on the Columbia river. The coons gather in troops of from 3 to 25 or more after a night's playing and feeding, and make their way over a well worn trail to the home tree or cavern, the females leading and the males following, clawing one another for first place.

The skilled troop hunter follows the trail of a single coon till he comes to the main trail. To follow a single coon requires the keenest of eyes and a wide knowledge of the habits of the animals, since frequently even a skillful tracker loses the trail for rods at a stretch. To get before a big troop of coons is a difficult matter, requiring luck added to woodcraft.

Once the hunter gets before the troop he waits till the beasts come within good range, when he fires his rifle. Thereupon the females turn and go rushing back on their trail, scrambling over the males in a way that astonishes them and makes them blink. The males take to the branches of nearby trees. Then the hunter shoots all he can see one by one. Three men have in that way bagged as many as 25 coons on a hunt, it is said.

On bright moonlight nights the coons may sometimes be shot from a boat. They are very fond of frogs, and come along the river bank in their search for them, as well as for mussels and other water delicacies. Their presence is betrayed by the waves they make, but as muskrats make similar waves a strong jack light is often useful.

Something to Depend On.

Mr. James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowden, Ill., in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with La Grippe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Pana could do nothing for her. It seemed to develop into Hasty Consumption. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in store, and selling lots of it, he took a bottle home, and to the surprise of all she began to get better from first dose, and half dozen dollar bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is guaranteed to do this road work. Try it. Free trial bottles at E. L. Allen's Drug Store.

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A particle is applied directly into the nostrils, is absorbable. Price 50 cents at Druggists or by mail. Samples 10 cents by mail.

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BOYS' " " " \$1.25 up

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Oct 2 3m

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Nov 17 2m

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SATISFACTION GUARANTEED.

Oct 1 3m

MEETINGS.

STOCKHOLDERS OF THE GERMAN CO-OPERATIVE BUILDING ASSOCIATION

No. 5, first and second series, will please attend the annual meeting to be held THURSDAY EVENING, January 7th, 1897 at 7:30 o'clock at their office, 107 S. Royal Street.

J. W. C. REIDER, Secretary.

dec 26, 28, 30, Jan 2, 4, 7

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE OLD DOMINION PERPETUAL BUILDING FUND ASSOCIATION

1st and 2nd series, will be held at the Concordia Hall on TUESDAY, January 5th, 1897, at 7:45 p. m.

L. E. UHLER, Secretary.

dec 22 2y

A MEETING OF THE MOUNT VERNON CO-OPERATIVE BUILDING ASSOCIATION

No. 2 will be held on TUESDAY, January 5th, 1897, at 7:30 p. m., at the Concordia Hall.

L. E. UHLER, Secretary.

dec 22 2y

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the VIRGINIA TITLE COMPANY will be held at its principal office, No. 102 south Fairfax street, on MONDAY, January 4th, 1897, at 3 o'clock p. m.

WILLIAM HULFISH, Secretary.

dec 17 2y

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF ALEXANDRIA, VA.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., Dec. 15, 1896.

The annual election for directors of this bank will be held at the banking house on TUESDAY, January 12, 1897, between the hours of twelve o'clock m. and one p. m.

CHAS. E. MOORE, Cashier.

dec 15 2m

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE WASHINGTON & ALEXANDRIA TRAMWAY COMPANY

will be held at the office of the company, 102 south Fairfax street, on MONDAY, January 4th, 1897, at 11 o'clock a. m.

At the office of the Washington Southern Railway Company, corner of Cameron and Fayette streets, Alexandria, Va. Election for five Directors and a Clerk and Treasurer same day and place.

ALBERT HEWSON, Clerk.

dec 12, 19, 26, Jan 2

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE CONSOLIDATED QUARRY COMPANY

will be held at the Braddock House, Alexandria, Va., on MONDAY, January 11th, 1897, at 3:30 o'clock p. m.

H. C. ILBERT, President.

dec 11 2m

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the GEORGE W. KNOX EXPRESS COMPANY will be held at 2 p. m., JANUARY 7TH, 1897, at the office of the company, No. 212 King street, Alexandria, Va.

CHAS. E. VAN ARSDALE, Secretary.

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Sterling Silver Novelties, a beautiful assortment.

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Standard Dainties, all kinds and styles, for 1897.

Duplicate Whist Sets and all the new Home Games, adapted for either children or adults.

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Christmas Tree Ornaments and Fancy Papers of all kinds.

We desire to call special attention to our Large Stock of

NEW, STANDARD AND HOLIDAY BOOKS.

Calendars, Christmas Cards, and Booklets.

Gift Books, Juveniles and Toy Books in great variety.

Oxford Teachers' Bibles all styles of binding, at less than one-half former prices.

The largest and prettiest assortment of Prayer Books and Hymnals ever shown in this city and at very lowest prices.

Our stock is well assorted and comprises the greatest gathering of DESIRABLE PRESENTS we have ever offered our Holiday Patrons. You are cordially invited to come and see what we can do for you before you look elsewhere.

All that is newest and best awaits your inspection and approval, and the prices on all our goods are extremely low.

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CLOTHING, FURNISHINGS, Etc.

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We try to please the people and we believe we succeed in doing so. Our half is based upon the fact that even in this dull year our sales have exceeded our expectations. Our line of Overcoats in style, quality and prices have surprised our patrons and convinced us

a safe road to success. Examine our All Wool Blue Kerseys, sewed with pure silk, at \$7.50. And the handsome French Faced Blue and Black Kerseys, lined throughout with the Brainerd and Armstrong satin, at \$12. Then our stocks of Men's and Boy's Suits are unequalled in value and low prices, and will confirm the opinion of our customers that to buy at home is